

## Abstract

A method and apparatus are described for providing data services to a mobile data device through a packet data service node system and a wireless data network. The method includes the steps of exchanging data between the mobile data device and packet data service node system at least partially through the wireless data network using a tunneling protocol, decoding the tunneling protocol within a programmers space of a general purpose computing platform of the packet data service node system, determining an identity of the user from the decoded tunneling protocol and providing at least some data services to the identified user based upon a predetermined services list associated with the identified user.